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NUMISMATIST

Third and Broadway  
Dayton, Ohio

March 27, 1948

Eric P. Newman  
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
315 Washington Avenue  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

This will acknowledge your letter of March 23rd,  
relative to the English Half Pennies in which you  
are interested.

There is quite an accumulation of these Half Pennies  
in my Auction Sale, April 16, 17, and 18th, a cata-  
logue of which is being sent to you under separate  
cover. If you are interested in any of these, would  
be pleased to receive your bids.

I will be in St. Louis April 2, 3, and 4th Friday,  
Saturday, and Sunday at the Melbourne Hotel.

Thank you for your courtesy and interest.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES KELLY

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March 31, 1948

Mr. James Kelly, Numismatist  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton, Ohio (7)

Dear Mr. Kelly:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 27, 1948.

Your catalog arrived today and I wish to compliment you on the excellent material you have assembled. It is so different from the usual type of catalog.

Since you are coming to St. Louis, I am wondering if you could bring along Lots 507, 2100 and 2104.

I am giving a program on Friday night, April 2, before the Missouri Historical Society, and am enclosing an invitation for you. I believe a number of those coming to the Convention are planning to attend, but with all of you experts I know I will find it difficult to give facts which will be new to you.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me  
Encl.

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# Coins and Chatter

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**1949**

**A.N.A. CONVENTION  
SAN FRANCISCO**

AUGUST 21-25, 1949

Vacation time and the A. N. A. Convention is again at hand. This year we go to the cosmopolitan city of San Francisco. It is indeed fitting that it be held there in 1949, just one hundred years since the great "Gold Rush."

To collectors our primary interest at the Convention will be numismatics, but San Francisco offers unlimited interests for the other members of the family who are too often bored at such gatherings by us "Coin Nuts."

A few "musts" to see are Chinatown, Fisherman's Wharf, Barbary Coast, Wells Fargo Bank Museum, The Golden Gate - and enough more to fill several columns.

Every indication points to an outstanding Coin Convention. Many of the finest collections from the West Coast will be on display - and brother! there are some real collectors out there. Practically every dealer I have spoken to will attend. Yours truly will be on hand with a choice assortment of material for sale and a few "bucks" to spend. The Numismatic Gallery will conduct the Auction and you can be sure the "Gold Dust Twins" will do their usual excellent job.

I have attended every Convention since 1936 - have bought and sold a great deal of material and have learned much about coins. Yet my most treasured memories are of the fine people I have met. I will be there to do business but my greatest pleasure will be in renewing old acquaintances and making new ones. Hope to see YOU there!

## A Remarkable Offer

**SAVE up to 50%**

**EARLY AMERICAN COINS**

### WILLOW TREE SHILLING

1652 Shilling - From the Colonel Green Collection. Very fine and Extremely rare .....\$ 265.00

### OAK TREE TWPENCE

1662 Only issue with this date. Choice Extremely Fine...\$37.50

### MARYLAND SHILLING

1659 Lord Baltimore Shilling. Very fine & very rare.....\$ 90.00

### NEW YORK CLINTON CENT

1787 Clinton Cent in practically Uncirculated condition. Excessively rare and catalogues at \$600.00 Fine. Very specially priced at \$195.00.

### NEW YORK TOKEN

(1700) N. Y. Token struck in lead. More rare than in brass. Catalogues \$100.00 only Fine.

Very fine plus .....\$ 60.00

### EXCELSIOR CENT

1787 Cent variety with eagle facing right. Fine & very rare ...\$ 50.00

### MARK NEWBY SILVER

1681 Mark Newby farthing struck in silver. One of the excessive rarities from the Col. Green collection. Auction records up to \$200.00.

Very fine .....\$ 75.00

### IMMUNIS COLUMBIA - NEW JERSEY

1786 Immunis Columbia Cent with N. J. Shield on reverse. Catalogues \$300.00 in only Fine condition. This specimen is a Gem, practically Uncirculated .....\$ 215.00

### KENTUCKY MYDDLETON TOKEN

1796 The rarest variety struck in silver.

Choice Proof .....\$ 65.00

### CONFEDERATIO CENT

1785 Variety with large circle of stars. This coin catalogues at \$750.00 but has been in my stock for several years and I am pricing it to sell.

Very fine plus.....\$ 175.00

### IMMUNIS COLUMBIA CENT

1787 Cent in Extremely fine condition.....\$ 35.00  
Same in Fine to V. fine....\$ 25.00

### IMMUNIS COLUMBIA-SILVER

1785 Cent with reverse of Nova Constellatio struck in silver. Catalogues \$300.00. From the Newcomer Collection and is Very Fine .....\$135.00

### CASTORLAND - GOLD

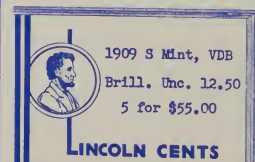
1796 Token struck in gold. From the French Mint.

A beautiful Proof.....\$ 135.00

### CONTINENTAL DOLLAR - BRASS

1776 The rare variety in brass. Catalogues \$350.00 Fine, but this is another coin that has been in stock a long time and I am pricing it to sell.

About Uncirculated.....\$145.00



1909 S Mint, VDB

Brill. Unc. 12.50

5 for \$55.00

**LINCOLN CENTS**

Complete Set Lincoln Cents, 1909 through 1945. Very good to Unc. SPECIAL PRICE .....\$ 17.50

## U. S. HALF DOLLARS

1795	Very good plus	\$10.00
1805	Very fine	7.50
1806	V. fine 5.00; V. good	2.50
1807	Bust right, V.F. plus	5.00
1807	B.R. Fine 3.50; V.Gd.	2.50
1808	Bust left; Very good	2.50
1808	Very fine 3.00; V.good	1.25
1809	Very fine	2.50
1810	Uncirculated, choice	2.00
1811	Extremely fine	2.50
1812	or 14, Very fine	2.00
1818	or 19, Very fine	2.00
1820	Fine	1.65
1821	or 22, Very fine	1.50
1823	Uncirculated	3.50
1826	Choice Gem Proof	25.00
1826	Brilliant Uncirculated	3.50
1826	Ex. fine 2.00; V.fine	1.50
1827	Uncirculated	3.00
1827	Ex. fine 2.00; V.fine	1.50
1828	Uncirculated	3.00
1828	About uncirculated	2.00
1829	Uncirculated	3.00
1829	Abt.Unc. 2.00; V.fine	1.50
1830	Uncirculated, SPECIAL	2.85
1830	Very fine	1.50
1831	Abt.Unc. 2.00; V.fine	1.50
1832	Uncirculated	3.00
1832	Ex.fine 1.75; V.fine	1.50
1832	Large date; Abt. Unc.	4.00
1832	Large date; Fine	2.50
1833	V. fine 1.50; Fine	1.25
1834	Abt. Unc., SPECIAL	1.95
1834	Very fine, SPECIAL	1.35
1835	or 36, Ext. fine	1.75
1836	V. fine 1.50; Fine	1.25
1837	Choice, Very fine	2.50
1838	About uncirculated	4.00
1838	Choice Very fine	2.50
1839	Bust type, Very fine	2.50
1839	Lib. Seated, No drap. V.F	5.00
1839	" " Drap. Fine	3.50
1839	0 Mint, Very fine	6.00
1840	Ex. fine, plus	5.00
1840	Very fine	3.50
1840	Type of 38, V. good	5.00
1841	0 Mint, Very good	1.25
1842	Date recut, Abt. Unc.	7.50
1842	Lg. date, V. fine plus	4.00
1842	Very good	1.25
1842	0 Mint, Fine	1.50
1843	V.F. 2.50; Fine	1.50
1843	Re-engraved date, Fine	4.00
1843	P or 0 Mints, V. good	1.25
1844	About fine 2.00; V.gd.	1.50
1844	0 Fine 2.00; V. good	1.50
1845	P or 0 Mints, V.good	1.25
1846	Very good	1.25
1846	0 Fine 2.00; V.good	1.25
1846	0 Recut date, Abt. fine	2.50
1847	V. good 1.25; 1847-0 Fine	1.50
1848	0 Very good	1.25
1849	0 Mint, Fine	2.00
1850	0 Mint, X. Fine 2.00; Fine	1.25
1851	0 Fine	1.75
1852	0 Mint, Good	2.50
1853	Fine 2.00; Very good	1.25
1854	0 Mint, About unc.	2.00
1854	0 Fine 1.25; Very good	.85
1855	0 Mint, Fine 1.25; V.Gd.	.85
1856	0 Mint, Uncirculated	3.50
1856	0 Date recut, Unc.	7.50
1856	0 V.fine 1.50; Fine	1.10
1857	Very good	.90

## U. S. HALF DOLLARS

1857-S	Mint, Very good	7.50
1857-S	Mint, Good to V.good	5.00
1858	Abt.Unc. 2.00; Fine	1.25
1858-0	Mint, V. fine 1.50; Fine	1.00
1859-S	Mint, Very good	3.50
1859-0	V. fine 1.40; Fine	1.00
1859	P or 0, Very good	.85
1860-S	Mint, Very good	1.50
1860-0	Fine 1.25; V. good	.90
1861	Ex.fine to Abt. Unc.	2.00
1861	Very fine, SPECIAL	1.25
1861-S	Fine 2.50; V.good	1.25
1861-0	Mint, Fine	1.25
(This above is a Confederate coinage)		
1862-S	Mint, SPECIAL	3.75
1862-S	Fine 2.50; Very good	1.50
1863	Very good	1.25
1863-S	Very fine, SPECIAL	2.50
1863-S	Fine 2.00; Very good	1.50
1864	About fine	1.50
1864-S	V. good 2.00; Good	1.25
1865-S	Mint, Very good	1.50
1866-S	Mint, motto, V. fine	5.00
1866-S	Fine 2.50; V.good	1.50
1867-S	Mint, V. fine, SPECIAL	2.50
1867-S	Fine 2.00; Very good	1.50
1868	Very fine plus	2.00
1868-S	Very fine, SPECIAL	2.50
1868-S	Mint, Very good	1.25
1869	V. fine 2.00; V.good	1.25
1869-S	Mint, Fine	2.00
1870	Very good	1.25
1871	Fine 1.65; V.good	1.25
1871-S	Very fine, SPECIAL	2.65
(The above catalogues at \$5.00)		
1871-S	Fine 2.00; Very good	1.25
1872-73	Both types, V.good, ea	1.00
1872-CC	Mint, only Pair	2.50
1874-75-76	Very good, each	1.00
1875	P or CC Mints, Fine	1.25
1876	Fine 1.25; 1876-S V.fine	1.50
1876-CC	Mint, Brill. proof	7.50
1877	Brilliant proof	7.50
1877	P or S Mints, V. good	1.00
1877-S	Mint, Ext. fine	2.00
1877-CC	V.gd. 1.50; 1878 V.Gd.	1.25
1879	Semi-proof	3.50

## MORGAN TYPE

1892-93-94-95-96-97-98-99	Vg, ea	1.00
1894	S or 0 Mints, Very good	1.00
1895	Fine plus	1.50
1895-0	Mint, Very good scarce	1.50
1896-0	Mint, Very good	2.00
1897	Brilliant proof	9.00
1897-0	Mint, Very good	2.50
1900-S	Mint, Fine to V.fine	2.00
1901-2-6-9-11-12	Fine, each	1.25
1902-S	Fine 2.50; V. good	1.25
1903-S	Fine, but edge cut	10.00
1903-S	V.gd. 1.25; 1905-S Fine	1.50
1906-0	Mint, Very fine plus	2.00
1906-0	Very fine plus	2.50
1907-S	Fine 1.50; 1907-D Fine	1.25
1907-D	Mint, Uncirculated	6.75
1908-D	Uncirculated, SPECIAL	5.75
1908-0	Uncirculated, SPECIAL	5.75
1909-S	Very fine, plus	3.00
1910-S	Fine 1.50; 1911-S Fine	1.50
1912-D	Mint, Uncirculated	7.50
1912-D	Abt.Unc. 3.25; Fine	1.25
1914-S	Fine 1.50; 1915-S F plus	2.00

Most all other dates of Morgan Half Dollars in stock in V. good condition at 75¢ and \$1.00 each.

## U. S. HALF DOLLARS

STANDING LIBERTY TYPE	
S V.Gd 1.50; 1916-D Fine	1.50
Brill.Unc 2.75; Abt.Unc.	1.50
S on Obverse, Very good	2.00
S, Rev. Fine 2.50; V.good	1.50
on Rev; Very good	1.25
Fine 2.00; Very good	1.00
S V.fine 2.50; Fine	1.50
D Fine 2.00; V.good	1.50
D Very good, scarce	1.50
D Very good	1.25
Br. Unc. 5.00; Fine	1.50
S Fine 2.00; Very good	1.00
D Abt.fine 1.50; V.good	1.00
V.Gd.2.00; 1921-S V.Gd.	1.25
Fine 2.50; V.good	1.00
Ex.fine 2.00; Fine	1.50
S Mint, Uncirculated	7.50
D Fine to Very fine	1.25
S Mint, Brill. Unc.	12.50
P or D, Uncirculated	1.50
S Mint, Uncirculated	7.50
P or D Mints, Unc.	1.50
S Mint, Uncirculated	4.00
P or D Mint, Uncirculated	1.25
S Mint, Unc., SPECIAL	1.75
above catalogues at \$3.50)	
Brill. proof, SPECIAL	5.95
above catalogues at \$ 10.00)	
P or D Mint, Unc.	1.25
D Mint, Uncirculated	1.50
Uncirculated	1.25
D Mint, Uncirculated	6.00
Uncirculated, SPECIAL	1.00
S Unc., "A coin to watch"	2.50
D Mint, Uncirculated	1.00
Brilliant proof	2.35
P or S, Uncirculated	1.00
With or without the engravers	
Initial, Brilliant proof	2.35
Pair of the above, Br.Pr.fas.	35
P or D, Uncirculated	.90
S Mint, Uncirculated	1.25
Brilliant proof	1.50
P,D or S, Unc, each	.90
thru 1948, Unc, each	.85

To possess money is a fear -  
Not to have it is a grief.

ONLY A PENNY  
BUT VERY IMPORTANT

Copper coins were vital to Canadians during the early 18th Century and officials in Paris urged King Louis to have one struck for Canadian use.

In 1716 the King agreed. Now the King was a vain monarch and because the likeness on the proposed coin didn't, unfortunately, flatter him, he forbade more to be struck until a more suitable likeness was put on the coin. So, because of a King's vanity, Canada had to wait five more years for its first penny which on issuance, showed not the King's likeness at all, but a design on the obverse of two crossed l's, surmounted by a crown.

Submitted by  
Paul Borrowman, Wyoming, Ont. Can.

*Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back*



# MOUNTAINEERS' MINT MASTER

When he wasn't hunting for game, silver or gold, and looking for semi-precious stones with pick and shovel in the rugged North Carolina mountains, Christopher Bechtler, an immigrant from Baden, Germany, was pressing out remarkably fine gold coins for mountaineers and inhabitants of Georgia and the Carolinas. Goldsmith by trade, he produced rings and jewelry of exquisite design for the local citizenry.

Topping his great skill was his honesty which showed in his coins of the early 1830's that were almost without alloy, being twenty carats fine. In nine years (1831-40), \$2,241,840.50 was produced in Rutherfordton at the Bechtler mint in denominations of \$1.00, \$2.50, \$5.00 and \$10.00. Not sanctioned by the government, but not interfered with by it, Bechtler coins were the only ones available to travelers, tradesmen and neighbors in that out-of-the-way country. The Mint Master's fee for his work consisted of but a small percentage of gold brought to him by customers.

Bechtler specie is divided into two series, the first having no date but coined before 1834, and the second starting with 1834, having his name, his town, weight and fineness of the gold, the date, and value of the pieces. Christopher Bechtler's son August carried on the mint business until 1852, where at his death it was inherited by a crooked nephew and soon discontinued. August Bechtler is said to have produced more minted pieces than his father, though no records have been found to prove it. These are now rare and highly prized.

Submitted by

Clarence M. Fink, Pasadena, Calif

A Wyoming university historian revealed today the story of an early U. S. Mint - privately owned. Miss Lola Homsher said the money-maker was Judge W. A. Carter—an old Wyoming Indian trader.

He went into his coin business not to compete with the government but to simplify his trading problems. Miss Homsher said straight trading in which Indians gave him fur or gold and immediately chose kettles or hatchets proved difficult. The Indians took a long time to decide what trade goods they wanted and sometimes couldn't carry away all they selected and paid for.

So the Judge made them coins - out of brass. When they gave him their goods he would give them a stack of his private money - in 50 and 25 cent denominations - and the Indians could take all the time they liked, knowing the brass coins were a claim on the trader.

## FOREIGN GOLD

AFGHANISTAN 1925, 1 Amani	
(85.00 size), Unc.....	\$25.00
AUSTRIA 1889, 8 Florin 20 Francs	
Uncirculated.....	12.00
1896 20 Kroner, Unc.....	12.50
1915 Ducat of Franz Joseph	
Proof.....	7.50
BADEN 1846 Ducat of Leopold struck	
in Rhine Gold, Rare, Br.Proof 25.00	
BULGARIA 1894 10 Levas of Ferd.	
Very fine.....	12.50
1908 20 Levas of Ferd. X.Fine 25.00	
COLUMBIA 1824 Scudo of the Republic	
Popeyan Mint, Very fine.....	7.50
1871 2 Pesos, Medellin Mint.V.F. 450	
ECUADOR 1837 4 Scudo, head of	
Liberty. Rev: Sun over Mountains.	
Scarce, Very fine.....	37.50
FRANCE 1806 20 Francs of Napoleon	
as Emperor. Rare head, by Dros.	
Very fine.....	18.00
1815 20 Francs, laureated head of	
Napoleon by Dros. V. fine.....	18.00
GREAT BRITAIN Spade guinea, 1798,	
of George III. Brill. Unc.....	25.00
GUATEMALA 1874 5 Pesos, Catalogue	
at \$50.00, Uncirculated.....	37.50
HUNGARY 1897 10 Korona Franz	
Joseph. Very fine.....	6.00
INDIA 19th Century Mohur, native	
inscription. Very fine.....	25.00
HYDERABAD (1800) Mohur, native	
inscriptions. Very fine.....	25.00
ITALY 1812 40 Lire of Napoleon.	
Milan Mint. Very fine.....	30.00
MONACO 1879 20 Francs Chas III.	
Very fine.....	20.00
NAPLES & SICILY 20 Lire Gioac.	
Napoleon. Very fine.....	20.00
NETHERLANDS 1805 Ducat. Fine.	9.00
1875 10 Gulden, Very fine.....	12.50
1897 10 Guilders of Queen	
Wilhelmina, Child's head, Unc. 25.00	
PAPAL STATES 1550-55 Scudo D'Or	
of Julius III. Bust of Christ with	
halo. Very fine but scratch on	
obverse.....	25.00
1868 20 Lire Pius IX. V. fine. 15.00	
PORTUGAL 1822 3,200 Reis with bust	
of John VI. Choice, V. fine.....	25.00
PRUSSIA 1888 20 Marks Fred. who	
reigned only a short period during	
this year. About unc.....	18.00
ROMANIA 1944 1,000 Lei comm. the	
return of Transylvania to Roumania.	
Uncirculated.....	18.00
RUSSIA 1899 5 Roubles, Unc.....	9.00
1900 5 Roubles, Very fine.....	7.50
SERBIA 1882 20 Dinars of Milan I.	
Uncirculated.....	20.00
SWITZERLAND 1918 20 Francs,	
Brill. uncirculated.....	11.25
TRANSVAAL 1894 1 Pond, Fine. 12.50	
TUNIS 1891 20 Francs, V. fine. 12.50	
TURKEY 1860 50 Piastres or half	
sovereign. Very fine.....	8.00
VENICE (1790) Ducat, regular	
Venician type. Fine.....	10.00
YUGOSLAVIA 1925 20 Dinars,	
This will be a rare coin.	
Brilliant uncirculated.....	25.00
CUBA 1916 10 Pesos, About	
Uncirculated, choice.....	30.00

## FOREIGN SILVER COINS

GREECE 1876, 5 Drachmas of	
George I. About Unc.....	\$5.00
HANOVER 1854 3½ Gulden, bust of	
George V. Scarce. V. fine.....	5.00
HOLLAND 1808 2½ Gulden Louis	
Napoleon, Unc, Proof surface. 35.00	
HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE 1603 Taler	
of Rudolph II. Very fine.....	5.00
1604, Double crown Rudolph II.	
Elaborate bust with ruff. V.F. 10.00	
1623 Broad Taler of Leopold.	
Very fine.....	6.00
1651 Taler of Ferd. III for	
Hungary. Very fine.....	7.50
LICHENSTEIN 1915, 5 Francs of	
John II. Brill. unc.....	7.50
PAPAL STATE 1693 Broad Crown	
Innocent XII by Borner, Rare	
type. Ext. fine.....	20.00
PARAGUAY 1889 1 Peso, Ex.fine 15.00	
PHILIPPINES 1936 Peso with bust	
of Roosevelt & Quezon. Unc.....	6.00
1936 1 Peso, Murphy & Quezon	
Uncirculated.....	5.00
POLAND 1788 Broad crown of	
Stanislaus Augustus. Unc. with	
Proof surface.....	10.00
PORTUGAL 1899, 1,000 Reis of	
Charles I. Very fine.....	3.00
PRUSSIA 1865 Double Thaler of	
Wilhelm. Semi-proof.....	7.50
RAGUSA 1777 Crown with bust of	
Rector. Fine.....	4.00
RUSSIA 1728 Rouble Peter II.	
Fine.....	4.00
1799 Rouble, Very fine.....	3.00
1883 Coronation rouble of	
Alexander III. Very fine.....	2.50
SALZBURG 1720 Crown of Frances	
Anton. Fine plus.....	4.00
1784 Crown of Colloredo. V.F. 4.00	
SARDINIA 1844, 5 Lire with head	
of Chas. Albert. Unc.....	5.00
SAKONY 1543 Taler of John with	
bust on either side. V. fine.....	7.50
1562 Broad crown, Ext. fine.....	7.50
1872 Double Taler commemorating	
marriage of John & Amelia. B Mint.	
Uncirculated.....	7.50
SPAIN 1808 (Gerona) Franco-Spanish	
War, Siege Duro, struck by Gen.	
Alvarez. Very fine.....	6.00
SUB ALPINE GAUL 1802, 5 Francs	
Very fine.....	3.50
SWEDEN 1801 Crown of Gustaf IV.	
Fine.....	5.00
TURKEY 1808, 20 Piastres struck	
in good surface. Fine.....	4.00
TUSCANY 1703, Broad scudo of	
Cosimo III. Arms of Medici. X.F. 5.00	
1781 Crown of Peter Leopold.	
Ornamented bust right. V. fine. 5.00	
1790 Crown Leopold II, commemo-	
rating his becoming Roman King. Rare.	
Extremely fine.....	9.00
WURTEMBERG 1846 3½ Gulden com-	
memorating wedding of Carl & Olga.	
Conjugated busts, rare. Proof. 10.00	

A fool always finds a bigger fool to admire him

# Look at these

## HALF CENTS

10 Different dates, none less than Very good and they will average Fine. 10 pieces .....\$ 7.95

## Indian Heads

12 Different dates 1862 to 1909, all Brilliant uncirculated.  
These are really gems - \$9.75

9 Different dates in Brilliant proof condition at nearly 50% discount. ONLY .....\$ 19.75

## Lincoln Cents

25 Different dates before 1943. Brilliant Uncirculated - \$1.00

## TWO CENT PIECES

Set of 8 different dates from 1864 thru 1871, average near Fine.  
The Set .....\$ 2.65

## BUFFALO HEAD NICKELS

20 Different dates in Brilliant Unc. condition including 1931-S and others before this. Catalogues near \$30.00.  
Very special.....\$ 15.00

## DIMES

25 Different before 1892 in Very good or better condition.  
Some bust type .....\$ 7.50

## U. S. QUARTER DOLLARS

12 Different before 1880 in Fine condition .....\$ 5.65

## U. S. HALF DOLLARS

10 Different before 1839, all Fine or better. A nice collection and a good investment at..\$ 12.50

## COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS

10 Different, all Brilliant Unc. A Savings of 20% .....\$ 14.95

## SILVER DOLLARS

10 Different Morgan type in Unc. condition, from original rolls. This choice group only - \$16.50

10 Different Peace Dollars, Brill. Unc. Getting more scarce all the time. ONLY .....\$ 14.75

## U. S. GOLD

Gold Type Collection including \$20.00, \$10.00, \$5.00, \$3.00, \$2.50 and \$1.00, all Very fine or better. The six pieces .....\$115.00

## FOREIGN SILVER

15 Different full dollar size coins of the world in Fine or better condition. From 1650 to 1910. A nice collection - 30% Savings.....\$20.00

NOTE - While the above are offered as "specials," they are first quality coins.

## \* \* HINTS ON ROMAN COINS \* \*

### CARACALLA AND ELAGABALUS

Since one succeeded the other, since they were close relatives, and since no monetary changes took place in their respective reigns, and what is even worse, since both had and used the same names, Marcus Aurelius Antoninus (rather than their unofficial names Elagabalus and Caracalla) a perfect setting for utter confusion is given.

Fortunately, the collector can tell their coins apart nowadays by the following method:

### BY THEIR FACIAL EXPRESSIONS

Caracalla became Emperor at the age of eight and died when twenty-nine; consequently he is shown represented with a young - unbearded - slightly bearded - fully bearded portrait.

Elagabalus became Emperor at 14 and died at 18. Therefore he would only show unbearded and slightly bearded portraits.

**PRACTICAL RULE:** All coins with a boy head or a fully bearded portrait can only be of Caracalla.

Elagabalus had thick, heavy lips; Caracalla had round, short facial contours.

All antoniniani (double denarii) with the Emperor having a spiked crown and bearded face - are of Caracalla.

All denarii (and bronzes) where the bearded Imperial head has a snake-like horn on the forehead, are of Elagabalus.

### BY THE OVERSE LEGENDS

All coins, where the legend contains ERIT, GERM, DIVO, MAGNO, MAX, and PONTIFEX, or ending into CAES, or the legend M. AVR(EL).ANTONINUS CAESAR or TR P (if on obv.) - are of Caracalla. Other legends may belong to both rulers, and cannot, therefore, be used as criteria. ANTONINUS AVGVSIVS with boy head is, of course, Caracalla's, as shown by the fact that it accompanied a boy head.

### BY THE REVERSE LEGENDS

All those containing AVGG are Caracalla's. All coins giving higher TR P than TR P V are only Caracalla's; in other words TR P VI to TR P XX are all coins of Caracalla's.

### BY STYLE

Since Caracalla's coins (particularly the later series) were struck at Rome and Elagabalus issued great numbers of coins in Syria, those with a typical Eastern expression will be of Elagabalus. All coins with the obverse title ANTONINVS PIVS FELIX AVG, or PIVS FEL AVG, FEL P AVF - are Syrian and thus of Elagabalus.

A star (asterisk) on reverse occurs only on coins of Elagabalus.

## U. S. GOLD

### DOLLARS

1849 Cl.wreath. Ex. fine....	\$ 6.75
1849 Open wreath. V.fine....	6.00
1849-O Mint, Ext. fine.....	9.00
1851 Very fine.....	5.25
1852 Uncirculated.....	6.25
1852 Very fine plus.....	5.25
1853 Uncirculated.....	6.00
1853 Very fine plus.....	5.25
1854 Small, Ext. fine.....	5.50
1854 Large, Ext. fine.....	5.25
1855 Very fine.....	6.00
1855-O Mint, Very fine.....	9.50
1856 Slanting 5, Unc.....	7.50
1856 Very fine.....	5.75
1856 Fine.....	5.00
1857 Very fine plus.....	5.25
1861 Very fine plus.....	5.25
1862 About Uncirculated....	6.25
1862 Very fine.....	5.25
1873 Uncirculated.....	6.75
1873 About uncirculated....	6.00
1874 Semi-proof.....	12.50
1874 Uncirculated.....	6.75
1889 Brilliant Proof.....	12.50
1889 Uncirculated.....	7.95

### QUARTER EAGLES

1825 Practically Unc.....	75.00
1834 Ex. fine plus.....	12.50
1839-O Mint, Ext. fine.....	17.50
1843-C Mint, Very fine.....	15.00
1844-D Mint, Very fine.....	12.50
1850-C Mint, Ext. fine.....	17.50
1851 Ext. fine.....	10.00
1851-O Mint, Very fine.....	9.50
1853 Very fine.....	9.00
1854-O Mint, Very fine.....	9.50
1861 Uncirculated.....	12.00
1875-S Mint, Uncirculated...	15.00
1877-3 Mint, Uncirculated...	12.50
1878 Uncirculated.....	11.00
1878-S Mint, About Unc.....	10.00
1893 Uncirculated.....	12.50
1895 Uncirculated, rare.....	17.50
1896-Brill. Unc. scarce.....	15.00
1897 Brill. Uncirculated.....	12.50
1898 Brill. Uncirculated.....	12.00
1899 Brill. Uncirculated.....	11.00
1900 Brill. Uncirculated.....	11.00
1901 Brill. Uncirculated.....	11.00
1902 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1903 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1903 Brill. Proof.....	18.00
1904 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1905 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1906 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1907 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1911-D Mint, Ext. fine.....	18.00

### MISCELLANEOUS

1834 \$5.00, Unc. fine.....	13.75
1847 \$5.00, Ext. fine.....	15.00
1848 \$5.00, C Mint, V.fine...	15.00
1902 \$5.00, S Mint, Br.Unc...	13.75
1903 \$5.00, S Mint, Br.Unc...	13.75
1906 \$5.00, D Mint, Br.Unc...	13.75
1839 \$10.00, Sm.let. V.fine...	37.50
1908 \$10.00, Uncirculated...	30.00
1913 \$10.00, Uncirculated...	27.50
1850 \$20.00, Choice, V.fine...	57.50
1909/8 \$20.00, Very fine....	75.00
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AUGUST 21-25, 1949

Vacation time and the A. N. A. Convention is again at hand. This year we go to the cosmopolitan city of San Francisco. It is indeed fitting that it be held there in 1949, just one hundred years since the great "Gold Rush."

To collectors our primary interest at the Convention will be numismatics, but San Francisco offers unlimited interests for the other members of the family who are too often bored at such gatherings by us "Coin Nuts."

A few "musts" to see are Chinatown Fisherman's Wharf, Barbary Coast, Wells Fargo Bank Museum, The Golden Gate - and enough more to fill several columns.

Every indication points to an outstanding Coin Convention. Many of the finest collections from the West Coast will be on display - and brother I there are some real collectors out there. Practically every dealer I have spoken to will attend. Yours truly will be on hand with a choice assortment of material for sale and a few "bucks" to spend. The Numismatic Gallery will conduct the Auction and you can be sure the "Gold Dust Twins" will do their usual excellent job.

I have attended every Convention since 1936 - have bought and sold a great deal of material and have learned much about coins. Yet my most treasured memories are of the fine people I have met. I will be there to do business but my greatest pleasure will be in renewing old acquaintances and making new ones. Hope to see YOU there!

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1807 Bust right, V.F. plus ..	5.00
1807 B.R. Fine 2.50; V.Gd. ..	2.50
1807 Bust left; Very good ..	2.50
1808 Very fine 3.00; V.good ..	1.25
1809 Very fine .....	2.50
1810 Uncirculated, choice ..	4.00
1811 Extremely fine .....	2.50
1812 or 14, Very fine .....	2.00
1818 or 19, Very fine .....	2.00
1820 Fine .....	1.65
1821 or 22, Very fine .....	1.50
1823 Uncirculated .....	3.50
1826 Choice Gem Proof .....	25.00
1826 Brilliant Uncirculated ..	3.50
1826 Ex.fine 2.00; V.fine ..	1.50
1827 Uncirculated .....	3.00
1827 Ex. fine 2.00; V.fine ..	1.50
1828 Uncirculated .....	3.00
1828 About uncirculated .....	2.00
1829 Uncirculated .....	3.00
1829 Abt.Unc. 2.00; V.fine ..	1.50
1830 Uncirculated, SPECIAL ..	2.85
1830 Very fine .....	1.50
1831 Abt.Unc. 2.00; V.fine ..	1.50
1832 Uncirculated .....	3.00
1832 Ex.fine 1.75; V.fine ..	1.50
1832 Large date; Abt. Unc. ..	4.00
1832 Large date; Fine .....	2.50
1833 V. fine 1.50; Fine .....	1.25
1834 Abt. Unc., SPECIAL .....	1.95
1834 Very fine, SPECIAL .....	1.35
1835 or 36, Ext. fine .....	1.75
1836 V. fine 1.50; Fine .....	1.25
1837 Choice, Very fine .....	2.50
1838 About uncirculated .....	4.00
1838 Choice Very fine .....	2.50
1839 Bust type, Very fine ..	2.50
1839 Lib. Seated, No drap. V.F	5.00
1839 " " Drap. Fine .....	3.50
1839-0 Mint, Very fine .....	6.00
1840 Ex. fine, plus .....	5.00
1840 Very fine .....	3.50
1840 Type of 38, V. good ..	5.00
1841-0 Mint, Very good .....	1.25
1842 Date recut, Abt. Unc. ..	7.50
1842 Lg. date, V.fine plus ..	4.00
1842 Very good .....	1.25
1842-0 Mint, Fine .....	1.50
1843 V.F. 2.50; Fine .....	1.50
1843 Re-engraved date, Fine ..	4.00
1843 P or 0 Mints, V. good ..	1.25
1844 About fine 2.00; V.gd. ..	1.50
1844-0 Fine 2.00; V. good ..	1.50
1845 P or 0 Mints, V.good ..	1.25
1846 Very good .....	1.25
1846-0 Fine 2.00; V. good ..	1.25
1846-0 Recut date, Abt.fine ..	2.50
1847 V.good 1.25; 1847-0 Fine	1.50
1848-0 Very good .....	1.25
1849-0 Mint, Fine .....	2.00
1850-0 Mint, X.Fine 2.00; Fine	1.25
1851-0 Fine .....	1.75
1852-0 Mint, Good .....	2.50
1853 Fine 2.00; Very good ..	1.25
1854-0 Mint, About unc. ....	2.00
1854-0 Fine 1.25; Very good ..	.85
1855-0 Mint, Fine 1.25; V.Gd.	.85
1856-0 Mint, Uncirculated ..	3.50
1856-0 Date recut, Unc. ....	7.50
1856-0 V.fine 1.50; Fine .....	1.10
1857 Very good .....	.90

## U. S. HALF DOLLARS

1857-S Mint, Very good .....	7.50
1857-S Mint, Good to V.good ..	5.00
1858 Abt.Unc. 2.00; Fine ..	1.25
1858-0 Mint, V.fine 1.50; Fine	1.00
1859-S Mint, Very good .....	3.50
1859-0 V.fine 1.40; Fine .....	1.00
1859 P or 0, Very good .....	.85
1860-S Mint, Very good .....	1.50
1860-0 Mint 1.25; V. good ..	1.00
1861 Ex.fine to Abt. Unc. ....	2.00
1861 Very fine, SPECIAL .....	1.25
1861-S Fine 2.50; V.good .....	1.25
1861-0 Mint, Fine .....	1.25
(The above is a Confederate coinage)	
1862-S Mint, SPECIAL .....	3.75
1862-S Fine 2.50; Very good ..	1.50
1863 Very good .....	1.25
1863-S, Very fine, SPECIAL ..	2.50
1863-S Fine 2.00; Very good ..	1.25
1864 About fine .....	1.50
1864-S V.good 2.00; Good .....	1.25
1865-S Mint, Very good .....	1.50
1866-S Mint, motto, V. fine ..	5.00
1866-S, Fine 2.50; V.good ..	1.50
1867-S Mint, V. fine, SPECIAL	2.50
1867-S Fine 2.00; Very good ..	1.50
1868 Very fine plus .....	2.00
1868-S, Very fine, SPECIAL ..	2.50
1868-S Mint, Very good .....	1.25
1869 V.fine 2.00; V.good .....	1.25
1869-S Mint, Fine .....	2.00
1870 Very good .....	1.25
1871 Fine 1.65; V.good .....	1.25
1871-S Very fine, SPECIAL ..	2.65
(The above catalogues at \$5.00)	
1871-S Fine 2.00; Very good ..	1.25
1872-73 Both types, V.good, ea	1.00
1872-CC Mint, only Pair .....	2.50
1874-75-76 Very good, each ..	1.00
1875 P or CC Mints, Fine .....	1.25
1876 Fine 1.25; 1876-S V.fine	1.50
1876-CC Mint, Brill. proof ..	7.50
1877 Brilliant proof .....	7.50
1877 P or S Mints, V. good ..	1.00
1877-S Mint, Ext. fine .....	2.00
1877-CC V.gd. 1.50; 1878 V.Gd.	1.25
1879 Semi-proof .....	3.50

## MORGAN TYPE

1892-93-94-95-96-97-98-99 VG, ea	1.00
1894 S or 0 Mints, Very good ..	1.00
1895 Fine plus .....	1.50
1895-0 Mint, Very good scarce ..	1.50
1896-0 Mint, Very good .....	2.00
1897 Brilliant proof .....	9.00
1897-0 Mint, Very good .....	2.50
1900-S Mint, Fine to V.fine ..	2.00
1901-2-6-9-11-12, Fine, each ..	1.25
1902-S Fine 2.50; V. good .....	1.25
1903-S Unc. but edge cut .....	10.00
1903-S V.gd. 1.25; 1905-S Fine	1.50
1906-0 Mint, Very fine plus ..	2.00
1906-0 Very fine plus .....	2.50
1907-S Fine 1.50; 1907-D Fine	1.25
1907-D Mint, Uncirculated ..	6.75
1908-D, Uncirculated, SPECIAL	5.75
1908-0, Uncirculated, SPECIAL	5.75
1909-S Very fine, plus .....	3.00
1910-S Fine 1.50; 1911-S Fine	1.50
1912-D Mint, Uncirculated ..	7.50
1912-D Abt.Unc. 3.25; Fine ..	1.25
1914-S Fine 1.50; 1915-S F plus	2.00
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## U. S. HALF DOLLARS

STANDING LIBERTY TYPE	
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1917 Brill.Unc 2.75; Abt.Unc. ..	1.50
1917 S on Obverse, Very good ..	2.00
1917-S, Rev. Fine 2.50; V.good.	1.00
1917-D on Rev; Very good .....	1.25
1918 Fine 2.00; Very good .....	1.00
1918-3 V.fine 2.50; Fine .....	1.50
1918-D Fine 2.00; V.good .....	1.50
1919-S Very good, scarce .....	1.25
1919-D Very good .....	1.25
1920 Br. Unc. 5.00; Fine .....	1.50
1920-S Fine 2.00; Very good ..	1.00
1920-D Abt.fine 1.50; V.good ..	1.00
1921 V.Gd. 2.00; 1921-S V.Gd. ..	1.25
1923-S Fine 2.50; V.good .....	1.00
1923-S Ex.fine 2.00; Fine .....	1.50
1929-S Mint, Uncirculated .....	7.50
1929-D Mint to Very fine .....	1.25
1933-S Mint, Brill. Unc. ....	12.50
1934 P or D, Uncirculated .....	1.50
1934-S Mint, Uncirculated .....	7.50
1935 P or D Mints, Unc. ....	1.50
1935-S Mint, Uncirculated .....	4.00
1936 P or D Mint, Uncirculated	1.25
1936-S Mint, Unc., SPECIAL ..	1.75
(The above catalogues at \$3.50)	
1937 Brill. proof, SPECIAL .....	5.95
(The above catalogues at \$ 10.00)	
1937 P or D Mint, Unc. ....	1.25
1937-S Mint, Uncirculated .....	1.50
1938 Uncirculated .....	1.25
1938-D Mint, Uncirculated .....	6.00
1939 Uncirculated, SPECIAL ..	1.00
1939-S Unc. "A coin to watch"	2.50
1939-D Mint, Uncirculated .....	1.00
1940 Brilliant proof .....	2.35
1940 P or S, Uncirculated .....	1.00
1941 With or without the engravers	
initial. Brilliant proof .....	2.35
1941 Pair of the above, Br.Pr.f. 35	
1941 P or D, Uncirculated .....	.90
1941-S Mint, Uncirculated .....	1.25
1942 Brilliant proof .....	1.50
1942 P,D or S, Unc. each .....	.90
1943 thru 1948, Unc. each .....	.85

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Submitted by  
Paul Borrowman, Wyoming, Ont. Can.

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# MOUNTAINEERS' MINT MASTER

When he wasn't hunting for game, silver or gold, and looking for semi-precious stones with pick and shovel in the rugged North Carolina mountains, Christopher Bechtler, an immigrant from Baden, Germany, was pressing out remarkably fine gold coins for mountaineers and inhabitants of Georgia and the Carolinas. Goldsmith by trade, he produced rings and jewelry of exquisite design for the local citizenry.

Topping his great skill was his honesty which showed in his coins of the early 1830's that were almost without alloy, being twenty carats fine. In nine years (1831-40), \$2,241,840.50 was produced in Rutherfordton at the Bechtler mint in denominations of \$1.00, \$2.50, \$5.00 and \$10.00. Not sanctioned by the government, but not interfered with by it, Bechtler coins were the only ones available to travelers, tradesmen and neighbors in that out-of-the-way country. The Mint Master's fee for his work consisted of but a small percentage of gold brought to him by customers.

Bechtler specie is divided into two series, the first having no date but coined before 1834, and the second starting with 1834, having his name, his town, weight and fineness of the gold, the date, and value of the pieces. Christopher Bechtler's son August carried on the mint business until 1852, where at his death it was inherited by a crooked nephew and soon discontinued. August Bechtler is said to have produced more minted pieces than his father, though no records have been found to prove it. These are now rare and highly prized.

Submitted by  
Clarence M. Fink, Pasadena, Calif

A Wyoming university historian revealed today the story of an early U. S. Mint - privately owned. Miss Lola Homsher said the money-maker was Judge W. A. Carter - an old Wyoming Indian trader.

He went into his coin business not to compete with the government but to simplify his trading problems. Miss Homsher said straight trading in which Indians gave him fur or gold and immediately chose kettles or hatchets proved difficult. The Indians took a long time to decide what trade goods they wanted and sometimes couldn't carry away all they selected and paid for.

So the judge made them coins - out of brass. When they gave him their goods he would give them a stack of his private money - in 50 and 25 cent denominations - and the Indians could take all the time they liked, knowing the brass coins were a claim on the trader.

# FOREIGN GOLD

AFGHANISTAN 1925, 1 Amani (\$5.00 size), Unc.....	\$25.00
AUSTRIA 1889, 8 Florin 20 Francs Uncirculated.....	12.00
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1915 Ducat of Franz Joseph Proof.....	7.50
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1908 20 Levas of Ferd. X.Fine 25.00	
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ECUADOR 1837 4 Soudo, head of Liberty. Rev: Sun over Mountains. Scarce, Very fine.....	37.50
FRANCE 1806 20 Francs of Napoleon as Emperor. Rare head, by Droz. Very fine.....	18.00
1813 20 Francs, laureate head of Napoleon by Droz. V. fine.....	18.00
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ITALY 1812 40 Lire of Napoleon. Milan Mint. Very fine.....	30.00
MONACO 1879 20 Francs Chas III. Very fine.....	20.00
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NETHERLANDS 1805 Ducat. Fine. 9.00	
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1897 10 Guilders of Queen Wilhelmina. Child's head, Unc. 25.00	
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PORTUGAL 1822 3,200 Reis with bust of John VI. Choice, V. fine.....	25.00
PRUSSIA 1888 20 Marks Fred. who reigned only a short period during this year. About unc.....	18.00
ROUMANIA 1944 1,000 Lei comm. the return of Transylvania to Roumania. Uncirculated.....	18.00
RUSSIA 1899 5 Roubles, Unc.....	9.00
1900 5 Roubles, Very fine.....	7.50
SERBIA 1882 20 Dinars of Milan I. Uncirculated.....	20.00
SWITZERLAND 1918 20 Francs, Brill. uncirculated.....	11.25
TRANSVAAL 1894 1 Pond, Fine. 12.50	
TUNIS 1891 20 Francs, V. fine. 12.50	
TURKEY 1860 50 Piastres or half sovereign. Very fine.....	8.00
VENICE (1790) Ducat, regular Venetian type. Fine.....	10.00
YUGOSLAVIA 1925 20 Dinars, This will be a rare coin. Brilliant uncirculated.....	25.00
CUBA 1916 10 Pesos, About Uncirculated, choice.....	30.00

# FOREIGN SILVER COINS

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1651 Taler of Ferd. III for Hungary. Very fine.....	7.50
LICHENSTEIN 1915, 5 Francs of John II. Brill. unc.....	7.50
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PHILIPPINES 1936 Peso with bust of Roosevelt & Quezon. Unc.....	6.00
1936 1 Peso, Murphy & Quezon Uncirculated.....	5.00
POLAND 1788 Broad crown of Stanislaus Augustus. Unc. with Proof surface.....	10.00
PORTUGAL 1899, 1,000 Reis of Charles I. Very fine.....	3.00
PRUSSIA 1865 Double Thaler of Wilhelm. Semi-proof.....	7.50
RAGUSA 1777 Crown with bust of Rector. Fine.....	4.00
RUSSIA 1728 Rouble Peter II. Fine.....	4.00
1799 Rouble, Very fine.....	3.00
1883 Coronation rouble of Alexander III. Very fine.....	2.50
SALZBURG 1720 Crown of Frances Anton. Fine plus.....	4.00
1784 Crown of Colloredo. V.F. 4.00	
SARDINIA 1844, 5 Lire with head of Chas. Albert. Unc.....	5.00
SAXONY 1543 Taler of John with bust on either side. V. fine.....	7.50
1562 Broad crown, Ext. fine.....	7.50
1872 Double Thaler commemorating marriage of John & Amelia. B Mint. Uncirculated.....	7.50
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SUB ALPINE GAUL 1802, 5 Francs Very fine.....	3.50
SWEDEN 1801 Crown of Gustaf IV. Fine.....	5.00
TURKEY 1808, 20 Piastres struck in good silver. Fine.....	4.00
TUSCANY 1703, Broad scudo of Cosimo III. Arms of Medici. X.F. 5.00	
1781 Crown of Peter Leopold. Ornamented bust right. V. fine. 5.00	
1790 Crown Leopold II, commemorating his becoming Roman King. Rare. Extremely fine.....	9.00
WURTEMBERG 1846 3½ Gulden commemorating wedding of Carl & Olga. Conjugated busts, rare. Proof. 10.00	

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10 Different dates, none less than Very good and they will average Fine. 10 pieces .....\$ 7.95

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12 Different dates 1862 to 1909, all Brilliant uncirculated.

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10 Different Morgan type in Unc. condition, from original rolls. This choice group only - \$16.50

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Gold Type Collection including \$20.00, \$10.00, \$5.00, \$3.00, \$2.50 and \$1.00, all Very fine or better. The six pieces .....\$115.00

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15 Different full dollar size coins of the world in Fine or better condition. From 1650 to 1910. A nice collection - 30% Savings....\$20.00

NOTE - While the above are offered as "specials," they are first quality coins.

## \* \* HINTS ON ROMAN COINS \* \*

### CARACALLA AND ELAGABALUS

Since one succeeded the other, since they were close relatives, and since no monetary changes took place in their respective reigns, and what is even worse, since both had and used the same names, Marcus Aurelius Antoninus (rather than their unofficial names Elagabalus and Caracalla) a perfect setting for utter confusion is given.

Fortunately, the collector can tell their coins apart nowadays by the following method:

#### BY THEIR FACIAL EXPRESSIONS

Caracalla became Emperor at the age of eight and died when twenty-nine; consequently he is shown represented with a young - unbearded-youthful - slightly bearded - fully bearded portrait.

Elagabalus became Emperor at 14 and died at 18. Therefore he would only show unbearded and slightly bearded portraits.

**PRACTICAL RULE:** All coins with a boy head or a fully bearded portrait can only be of Caracalla.

Elagabalus had thick, heavy lips; Caracalla had round, short facial contours.

All antoniniani (double denarii) with the Emperor having a spiked crown and bearded face - are of Caracalla.

All denarii (and bronzes) where the bearded Imperial head has a sickle-like horn on the forehead, are of Elagabalus.

#### BY THE OVERSE LEGENDS

All coins, where the legend contains BRIT, GERM, DIVO, MAGNO, MAX, and PONTIFEX, or ending into CAES, or the legend M. AVR(EL).ANTONINVS CAESAR or TR P (if on obv.) - are of Caracalla. Other legends may be long to both rulers, and cannot, therefore, be used as criteria. ANTONINVS AVGVSTVS with boy head is, of course, Caracalla's, as shown by the fact that it accompanied a boy head.

#### BY THE REVERSE LEGENDS

All those containing AVGG are Caracalla's. All coins giving higher TR P than TR P V are only Caracalla's; in other words TR P VI to TR P XI are all coins of Caracalla's.

#### BY STYLE

Since Caracalla's coins (particularly the later series) were struck at Rome and Elagabalus issued great numbers of coins in Syria, those with a typical Eastern expression will be of Elagabalus. All coins with the obverse title ANTONINVS PIVS FELIX AVG, or PIVS FEL AVG, FEL P AVF - are Syrian and thus of Elagabalus.

A star (asterisk) on reverse occurs only on coins of Elagabalus.

## U. S. GOLD

### DOLLARS

1849 Cl. wreath. Ex. fine....	\$ 6.75
1849 Open wreath. V. fine....	6.00
1849-0 Mint, Ext. fine.....	9.00
1851 Very fine.....	5.25
1852 Uncirculated.....	6.25
1852 Very fine plus.....	5.25
1853 Uncirculated.....	6.00
1853 Very fine plus.....	5.25
1854 Small, Ext. fine.....	5.50
1854 Large, Ext. fine.....	5.25
1855 Very fine.....	6.00
1855-0 Mint, Very fine.....	9.50
1856 Slanting 5, Unc.....	7.50
1856 Very fine.....	5.75
1856 Fine.....	5.00
1857 Very fine plus.....	5.25
1861 Very fine plus.....	5.25
1862 About Uncirculated....	6.25
1862 Very fine.....	5.25
1873 Uncirculated.....	6.75
1873 About uncirculated....	6.00
1874 Semi-proof.....	12.50
1874 Uncirculated.....	6.75
1889 Brilliant Proof.....	12.50
1889 Uncirculated.....	7.95

### QUARTER EAGLES

1825 Practically Unc.....	75.00
1834 Ex. fine plus.....	12.50
1839-0 Mint, Ext. fine.....	17.50
1843-G Mint, Very fine.....	15.00
1844-0 Mint, Very fine.....	12.50
1850-0 Mint, Ext. fine.....	17.50
1851 Ext. fine.....	10.00
1851-0 Mint, Very fine.....	9.50
1853 Very fine.....	9.00
1854-0 Mint, Very fine.....	9.50
1861 Uncirculated.....	12.00
1875-3 Mint, Uncirculated....	15.00
1877-3 Mint, Uncirculated....	12.50
1878 Uncirculated.....	11.00
1878-3 Mint, About Unc.....	10.00
1893 Uncirculated.....	12.50
1895 Uncirculated, rare....	17.50
1896-Brill. Unc, scarce.....	15.00
1897 Brill. Uncirculated.....	12.50
1898 Brill. Uncirculated.....	12.00
1899 Brill. Uncirculated.....	11.00
1900 Brill. Uncirculated.....	11.00
1901 Brill. Uncirculated.....	11.00
1902 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1903 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1903 Brill. Proof.....	18.00
1904 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1905 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1906 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1907 Brill. Uncirculated.....	10.00
1911-0 Mint, Ext. fine.....	18.00

### MISCELLANEOUS

1834 \$5.00, Very fine.....	13.75
1847 \$5.00, Ext. fine.....	15.00
1848 \$5.00, 0 Mint, V. fine....	15.00
1902 \$5.00, 3 Mint, Br. Unc....	13.75
1903 \$5.00, 3 Mint, Br. Unc....	13.75
1906 \$5.00, 0 Mint, Br. Unc....	13.75
1839 \$10.00, S. Mint, V. fine....	37.50
1908 \$10.00, Uncirculated.....	30.00
1913 \$10.00, Uncirculated.....	27.50
1850 \$20.00, Choice, F. fine....	57.50
1909/8 \$20.00, Very fine.....	75.00
1925 \$20.00, Proof, Unc.....	67.50
1928 \$20.00, Uncirculated....	55.00

July 12, 1949

Mr. James Kelly  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

Your low priced Colonial material has intrigued me, and I would appreciate it if you would forward to me for examination the Confederate Cent and the Continental Dollar in brass. I would also appreciate it if you would give me any information you can as to their source, especially if they came from Mr. Johnson, and the date you acquired them, if you have that information handy.

I certainly hate to see nice Colonials slaughtered in this manner, but I am sure you are trying to find the point at which they will sell.

You will hear from me by return mail with respect to these items.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me



" WHEN YOU COMPARE PRICE, COMPARE QUALITY "



July 14, 1949

JAMES KELLY

TELEPHONE ADams 3601

MEMBER OF A. N. A.

M Eric P. Newman  
Edison Bros. Stores, Inc.  
315 Washington Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri

NUMISMATIST

THIRD & BROADWAY SUITE 14 AND 15  
DAYTON (7) OHIO

REGISTERED MAIL

These Goods Are Sent On Consignment And Approval And The Title In The Consignor Does Not Pass Until They Are Paid For In Full.

1875, Confederate Cent;  
Large circle of Stars  
Short rays. Excessively  
rare.  
Very fine plus rhyc  
1776, Continental Dollar  
CURRENCY Variety struck  
in brass.  
Abt. Unc. rdzoc  
1780, Immunis Columbia.  
N. J. Shield.  
Unc.

175. 00

145. 00

200. 00

\$ 520. 00

Returned 7/20/49

Returned 7/25/49

Kept in exchange for 4 double eagles

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PAID  
JUL 30 1949

July 18, 1949

Mr. James Kelly  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

Thank you for sending me the Colonials I requested, and also for sending the 1786 Immuhis Columbia New Jersey shield.

I am embarrassed to say that the Confederatio cent you sent is the rarer variety, being the one with AMERICA and not the commoner variety with the AMERICANA. It so happens that I do not have the commoner variety which is illustrated in the standard catalog, with the large stars, and was almost sure yours was the commoner variety. Thus, I am going to return it, and hope you get another customer as it is a very rare bird.

As far as the 1786 Immuhis Columbia New Jersey is concerned, it is much better than the specimen I have in my collection and I am going to try to work this out with you by turning over some Double Eagles, as I am sure you are not interested in my specimen in partial exchange.

My specimen of the Clinton cent is only fine, and if yours is so gorgeous you might send it on, unless somebody else has already purchased it. As to the Continental dollar in brass, I thought it might be one of the patterns but I find it is the identical die to those which were issued in quantity. I would like a couple of days more to think this over.

In any event, the sum and substance of this letter is, will you please send on the Clinton cent and I will see what I can do with respect to it.

It is certainly a shame that there are not enough people collecting Colonials to appreciate this lovely material which you are sacrificing. Of course, in due time they will be craving for these, but for the present they would rather pay the same money for some idiotic mint mark.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

EPN/me



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July 20, 1949

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1787 New York Clinton Cent.  
About uncirculated

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\$ 190. 00

Will accept double eagles in trade  
at \$45.00. This is just what I am  
getting for them. Will pay \$42.50  
cash.

Sincerely,

JAMES KELLY

Enc.1

*Kept in exchange for 4 double eagles.*

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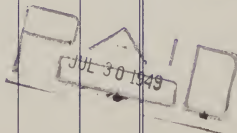
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July 20, 1949

Mr. James Kelly, Numismatist  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

Like many other collectors I am in the usual embarrassing situation where my wife does not wish me to spend any more money on coins. Thus I have to figure out some kind of trade that will satisfy you with respect to the item or items in which I am interested.

I would like to obtain the Immunis Columbia New Jersey, which you invoiced to me for \$200.00, in exchange for four Double Eagles, either Liberty head or St. Gaudens, or both, either Uncirculated or practically so. I want you to be satisfied with the exchange if you make it, and you may reserve your opinion until you see the coins.

As far as the brass Continental dollar is concerned, I have very little enthusiasm for it and wish to offer you two Double Eagles for it. I am sorry this does not figure up to the \$145.00 price you put on it, but I, like many others at the present time, have little enthusiasm for the expensive Continental dollars.

I am returning the Confederate cent you forwarded to me, and will await to hear from you with respect to the Clinton cent and the contents of this letter.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me





*James Kelly*

NUMISMATIST

Third and Broadway  
Dayton, Ohio

July 21, 1949

Eric Newman  
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
315 Washington Ave.,  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

Received your letter of July 20th regarding the Colonials sent you.

I will accept your offer of four Uncirculated Double Eagles (St. Gaudens) for the Immunis Columbia Cent. These must be choice coins as I can only get \$45.00 for the "garden" variety material.

In reference to the Continental Dollar in brass, I paid \$145.00 for it at the Boston Convention; I believe I purchased it at a very cheap price and would not accept any less for it. The best trade I would make would be three Double Eagles of your choice.

In regards to the Clinton Cent, I am sure you will find it a satisfactory coin and priced reasonable. I will accept common Double Eagles at \$45.00; choice Uncirculated ones at \$50.00.

Noted your comments regarding finances and would certainly like to be in the "embarrassing" financial situation that you are in. You should be a poor boy like I am for just a while to see how it feels.

Sincere personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

*James Kelly*  
JAMES KELLY

JK:Hp



July 25, 1949

Mr. James Kelly, Numismatist  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

Your sympathy in the form of crocodile tears for my inability to get my wife to allow me to spend any more money on coins has been duly appreciated by my secretary. As far as I am concerned, I am upset to the point of acquiring two coins I already have just to improve condition.

I am keeping the Clinton cent and the New Jersey Immunia Columbia and am sending you in exchange 6 Double Eagles in uncirculated condition and 2 in extremely fine condition. I could have sent you 2 "dogs", but you have been so nice in this transaction that you may be able to work off the 2 in extremely fine condition as uncirculated. I am sorry that I am returning the Continental dollar in brass. I am still interested in it, but because of recent research of others the evidence points to the fact that these may be satirical pieces made in England after the Revolutionary War and not contemporary pieces. I don't know the facts on this but it may be true. If at a later date you want to get rid of it on the basis I suggested, don't hesitate to let me know.

Would you be kind enough to let me know where the New York Clinton cent came from, if you remember, which I am sure you do.

The coins I am keeping are genuine so far as I can tell, but I am always afraid there is some type of electrotype with which I am not familiar and, therefore, am relying on your opinion as well as my own.

I sincerely hope that you enjoy the convention, and if you are in St. Louis on your return trip do not hesitate to contact me.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/me

*James Kelly*  
*Third & Broadway*  
*Dayton, Ohio*

August 2, 1949

Eric P. Newman  
Edison Brothers Strokes, Inc.  
315 Washington Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

This will acknowledge your letter of July 25th,  
as well as the receipt of the coins.

In regards to the New York Clinton Cent, this was just  
recently out of the Allen Harper collection. He purchased  
it at the Buffalo Convention Sale of the Prann collection.  
Prior to that I purchased the coin from the late E. G.  
Johnson (out of the Col. Green-Newcomber collection) and  
sold it to Mr. Prann.

In regards to the material which you kept being genuine,  
any coin sold by me is guaranteed genuine indefinitely.

Kind personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

  
JAMES KELLY

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August 5, 1949

Mr. James Kelly, Numismatist  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

With respect to the Clinton cent I acquired from you, the pedigree is something similar to that of my cur dog. You may have gotten the coin from the Allen Harper collection but it was not a specimen offered at the Buffalo Convention sale of the Prann collection. I examined both of these coins and they were in fine condition only. It appears then that Harper acquired it elsewhere. It is not from the Newcomer-Green collection. It is such a lovely coin that I am wondering if you will see if you can remember where Harper got it.

Thanks for your assurance of the genuineness of the coins I received from you.

I am sorry to bother you further, but only write me if you can throw some additional light on the Clinton coin.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

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EPN/me



*James Kelly*

NUMISMATIST

Third and Broadway  
Dayton, Ohio

August 16, 1949

Eric Newman  
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
315 Washington Ave.,  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

In answer to your letter of the 5th regarding the Clinton Cent, I am listing below the address of Mr. Allen Harper and would suggest that you contact him about this.

Mr. Allen Harper  
7300 Brooklyn Ave.,  
Kansas City 6, Missouri

Perhaps personal contact with him will throw a little more light on it.

Sincerely yours,

*James Kelly*  
JAMES KELLY

/Hp



August 22, 1949

Mr. Allen Harper  
7300 Brooklyn Avenue  
Kansas City 6, Missouri

Dear Mr. Harper:

I recently acquired from Mr. James Kelly your specimen of the Clinton cent. I asked him where you acquired it, as it is such a beautiful item, and he indicated he thought it was from the Prann collection. I examined the two Clinton cents in the Prann collection, and your specimen, of course, was acquired otherwise. I am wondering if you can tell me the source of this item.

In view of your interest in Colonial coins, I am sure you will enjoy seeing portions of my collection if you will just call me any time you happen to be in St. Louis.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me

November 20, 1950

Mr. James Kelly  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

There is a large "collection" of Double Eagles, Eagles, and Half Eagles in the hands of an attorney who is a friend of mine. Quite sometime ago he asked me about selling them and indicated he wanted to take bids. I told him that perhaps there were a few pieces I might like, but when the bids came in he indicated that they were for the entire lot. I told him that if I saw the coins I might bid on the entire lot. I looked over all the coins and they are a clean lot, although there are no rarities and hardly any in super choice condition. They certainly average very fine.

I do not know what you bid, although I do know that you were given the opportunity to bid, as the attorney is handling the matter in a fair and proper manner.

If you get the lot, would you care if I substituted for any ones I do not have the identical denomination in the same condition? If there were any rarities or scarcities in this group I would not ask this favor, but since there are none I don't think you really care. I would merely make a memorandum of those I wanted and send you the ones to exchange for them.

Numismatically I have been temporarily dormant while I am collecting American atlases. As soon as that phase passes over I will go to work again on my coins.

With kindest regards to you.

Sincerely,

EPNewman/mw



*James Kelly*

NUMISMATIST  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton, Ohio

November 23, 1950

MR. ERIC NEWMAN  
Edison Brothers Stores Inc.  
315 Washington Ave.,  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

Your letter of November 20th arrived during Mr. Kelly's absence from the city. However, I spoke with him over the 'phone this morning and he asked me to advise you that he would be glad to make the changes for you - the coins you do not have - for ones of equal value.

He also said he would like to see the coins and you could let him know the ones you want. By "equal value" he is referring, of course, to dates and condition.

If he is successful in purchasing this collection and has to come to St. Louis after it, he will meet you and make the changes then.

Sincerely yours,

*Helen Price*

Helen Price  
Secretary to Mr. Kelly

/Hp



November 24, 1950

Mr. James Kelly  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

I received a letter from your secretary on November 24 and want to thank you and her for your prompt answer. As I indicated in my previous letter, I would not consider making the exchange unless you saw the coins prior to my doing so.

If you are successful in purchasing these coins I will be delighted to see you if you come to St. Louis, but the St. Louis trip is really not necessary as you are dealing with persons of top reliability and I would be glad to check the coins in for you with the attorney for the executor of the estate and let him ship them to you fully insured.

Incidentally, I presume you have seen the Coin Collectors' Journal in which they talk about the Clinton Cent. I threw you a plug by telling them that I obtained mine from you. The one I previously had I then exchanged with someone else.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

EPNewman/mw

December 28, 1950

Mr. James Kelly  
3rd and Broadway  
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Jim:

Colonials being my weakness - you can send me -  
for examination, the Lord Baltimore shilling,  
the 1785 Vermont cent, in very fine plus, condition,  
and the 1788 Vermont cent. I have all these coins  
but am always anxious to improve.

I am very sorry you did not get the collection of  
Double Eagles, etc. which was sold here, as the  
market improved since then. Mehl was the purchaser.

Kindest regards for the Holidays.

Sincerely,

EPNewman;atb

"WHEN YOU COMPARE PRICE, COMPARE QUALITY"



# JAMES KELLY

NUMISMATIST

THIRD & BROADWAY SUITE 14 AND 15

DAYTON 171 OHIO



January 3, 1951

TELEPHONE ADAMS 3601

MEMBER OF A. N. A.

M Eric P. Newman  
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
315 Washington Ave.  
St. Louis, Mo.

REGISTERED

These Goods Are Sent On Consignment And Approval And The Title In The Consignor Does Not Pass Until They Are Paid For In Full.

1659 Maryland, Lord Baltimore Shilling. Art. rare, Very fine	yo	\$ 85.00
1785 Vermont Cent, Variety "Vermonts", Rare, Very fine plus	epoc	17.50
1788 Vermont Cent, Very fine	yo	5.00
		\$ 107.50

Dear Eric:

Received your letter of December 28th and am sending along the three Colonials for your approval.

Regarding the Schaefer collection, I am very sorry I did not get it. However, I was at a disadvantage by not knowing the condition or when it could be sold. The market went up the week before it was sold.

With best regards.

Cordially yours,

JAMES KELLY

Encls. coins

*paid*  
5.00  
17.50  
22.50  
FEB 15 1951



January 17, 1951

Mr. James Kelly  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

The 1788 Vermont coin has been sold to a friend of mine and his check is enclosed. The Maryland shilling is, unfortunately, not in as good condition as mine and therefore I am returning the same herewith.

The 1785 Vermont cent was not described as having a heavy planchet clipping defect and I notice that in the 1949 Convention sale which you conducted, you described it as having such a defect. It apparently is the identical coin. I am enclosing, for your consideration in exchange for the Vermont coin, a 1878 Three Dollar piece in reasonably nice condition and I hope you will accept it in exchange. This will make me feel a little better about obtaining a defective Vermont cent which, although nicely struck up, has the same shape as a flat tire.

Kindest personal regards to you. If you ever come this way do not hesitate to come to see me.

I still have not gotten over the fact that you did not obtain that collection of Double Eagles, etc.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman;atb

*James Kelly*

NUMISMATIST  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton, Ohio

January 25, 1951

Eric Newman  
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
315 Washington Ave.,  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

This will reply to your letter of January 17th received while I was out of the city.

I regret very much that I would be unable to make an exchange such as you suggest for two reasons: First, I have a quantity of these \$3.00 gold pieces as well as the <sup>other</sup> cheap ones and secondly, you will note that I am selling coins of this quality for \$15.00, as recently advertised by me. Therefore, I am returning your coin herewith.

Thanks very much for the \$5.00 payment of the 1788 Vermont Cent.

Sincerely yours,

*James Kelly*  
JAMES KELLY

/tip  
Enc. 1 coin



November 17, 1954

Mr. James Kelly  
Third and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

It has been a long time since we have corresponded but, for the moment, I am trying to collect die varieties of Virginia halfpence and Florida 1/2<sup>h</sup> real.

Would you send me, on approval, any which you might have in stock.

Kindest regards to you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

*James Kelly*

NUMISMATIST

Third and Broadway  
Dayton, Ohio

November 24, 1951

Eric P. Newman  
400 Washington Ave.  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you very much for your order of November 17th.

I am very sorry but at the moment we do not have the Virginia  
Halfpence and Florida 1/2th Real which you request.

If there is anything else you might be interested in, would be  
pleased for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely yours,

*James Kelly*  
JAMES KELLY

/pf





August 20, 1958

Mr. James Kelly  
3rd and Broadway  
Dayton 7, Ohio

Dear Jim:

In the description of Lot 1505 of your coming sale you state there are three original Confederate half dollars, two of which are in museums. I am familiar with the one at the A.N.S. in New York. I was wondering what museum has the other one you mention. I have often heard rumors to this effect but have never had an opportunity to find out exactly what museum that was. When you make a statement of that sort I am sure you can give me that information.

My very kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

September 19, 1960

Mr. James Kelly  
161 West 106th Street  
New York 9, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The recent report of the theft of a genuine Confederate "Half Dollar" has led me to follow up to you on my letter of August 29, 1958. You stated in your comments in 1958 that you had said that there were 2,000 Confederate "Half Dollars". I would like very much to know whether you had heard of the false alleged Confederate "Half Dollar" mentioned by me and not.

It is certainly a strange coincidence that a coin of this rarity would never have been shown to anyone but two people who are now dead and both of whom wrote letters offering to buy it, both of which were in handwriting, so that no outcave were retained. It is also strange that the letters were stolen along with the coin, etc.

Did you know anything about this coin?

I would be very appreciative if you would answer.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC S. MURRAY

ESM/etb